



# BUSTER

EVERY MONDAY  
2nd MAY, 1981

14p



## Tall order!

See  
"KID  
KONG"  
—inside



### Buster's Diary

I met Kate Crabapple  
to go on a picnic.

I'LL TAKE MY  
FISHING ROD!



WHY ARE YOU  
BRINGING THAT  
THING?

IF WE PICNIC BY THE  
RIVER, I MIGHT CATCH  
SOMETHING!



I caught something right away  
A coal-hole lid.

YAAH!



CONTINUED OVERLEAF



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Then I 'caught' a lump of coal on the ear...

BE MORE CAREFUL WITH THAT FISHING ROD—IT COULD GET YOU INTO TROUBLE!

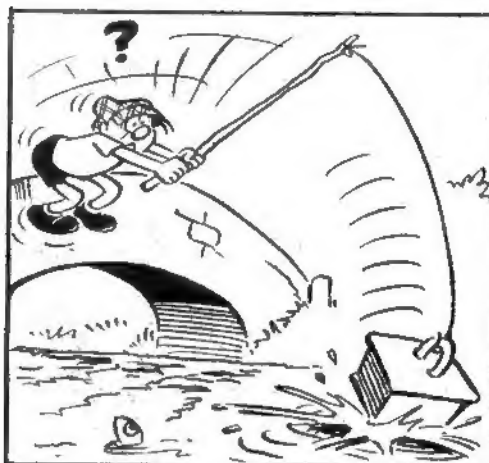
OW! FEELS LIKE IT ALREADY HAS!

But later, we found a good spot to picnic.

I'LL FISH FROM THIS BRIDGE WHILE YOU SET OUT THE GRUB!

I'LL SEE HOW FAR I CAN CAST!

HI! CAREFUL!



The picnic basket was heavy...and I got pulled in after it...

SPLOSH

I'VE SAVED THE PICNIC, BUT YOU'D BETTER RUN BACK TO MY HOUSE, AND ASK MY MUM FOR SOME DRY CLOTHES!

OKAY!

YOUR MUM WAS OUT—SO I'VE BROUGHT SOME DRY CLOTHES FROM MY HOUSE!



I CAN'T WEAR THIS—IT'S A GIRL'S DRESS!

AND I CAN'T EAT SOGGY SANDWICHES! I'M GOING HOME!

So Kate cleared off, and left me to go home alone...



OH NO! THERE'S GINGER AND SPOTTY HERBERT! THEY MUSTN'T SEE ME LIKE THIS!

So I quickly joined in with a party of schoolgirls who were passing...



TEE, HEE! THEY HAVEN'T NOTICED ME!



THIS IS WHERE WE'RE HAVING THE SCHOOL TEA PARTY! ENTER IN A LADY-LIKE FASHION, GIRLS!

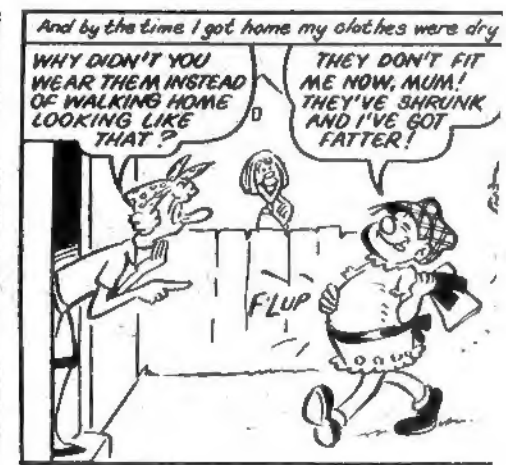
VILLAGE HALL



But I got 'carried' in to the tea party...

GOR! LOVELY GRUB!

WELL, I CAN'T GET OUT OF THIS CRUSH—SO I MIGHT AS WELL HELP OUT WITH THE EATS!

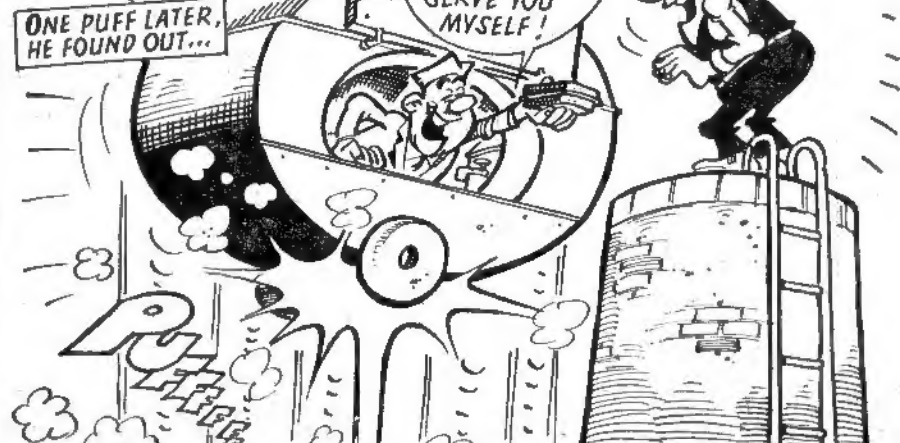
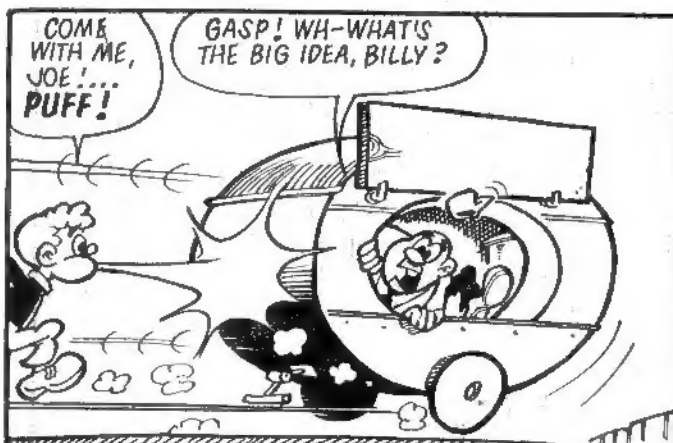
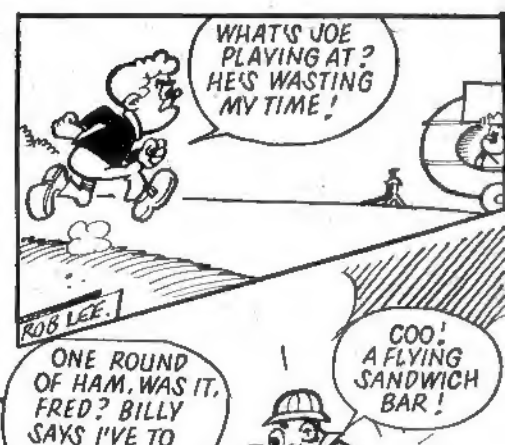
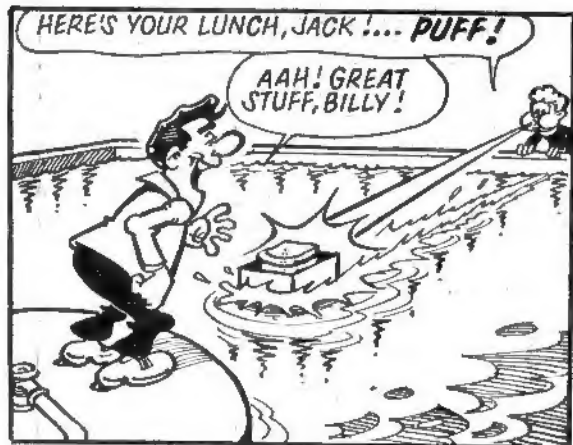
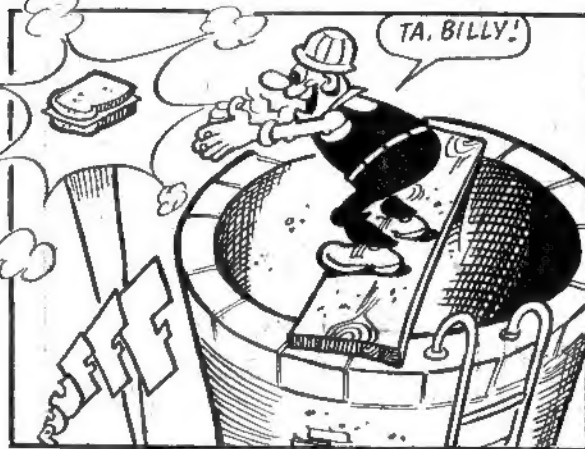
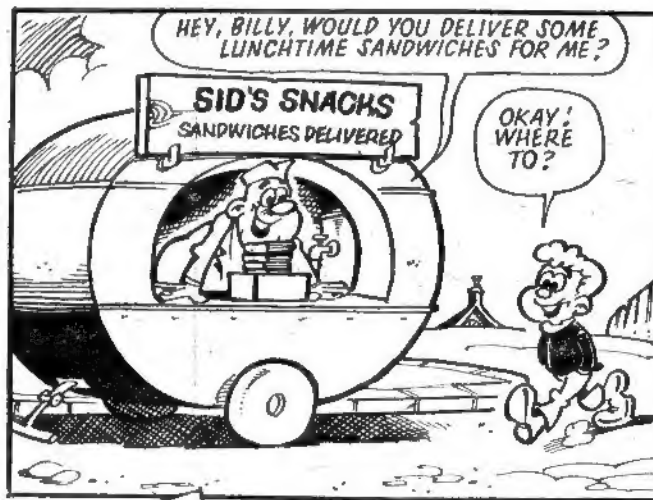


And by the time I got home my clothes were dry

WHY DIDN'T YOU WEAR THEM INSTEAD OF WALKING HOME LOOKING LIKE THAT?

THEY DON'T FIT ME NOW, MUM! THEY'VE SHRUNK AND I'VE GOT FATTER!

# BILLY BLOW



# X-RAY SPECS







# **NEXT WEEK!** **WIN A TV TO WATCH...** *The Wedding of the Century*

Everybody knows that Prince Charles and Lady Diana marry at St. Paul's Cathedral on July 29th—and now you can have an extra special view of the great event! Catch all the excitement on your own TV—because we're giving away 12 incredible Binatone "Microvision"

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Grab a copy of any of these titles—or all four to have more chances of winning—and using the special frame, show us what you think would make a great design for a Royal wedding card!

**WHOOPEE!**

14p

Don't miss out on this terrific free-entry competition in next week's...

on sale  
Sat: May 2

**BUSTER**

14p on sale Sat: May 2

**JACKPOT**

14p on sale Thurs: May 7

**WHIZZER**

14p  
and  
**chips**

on sale  
Sat: May 2

# The Leopard from LIME ST.

BILLY FARMER, THE BOY WITH THE POWERS OF A FULLY-GROWN LEOPARD, HAD EMBARKED ON HIS FINAL BATTLE WITH CONRAD KLAWS, WHO HAD BEEN FLOODING THE COUNTRY WITH CHEAP AND DANGEROUS LEOPARDMAN TOYS. BILLY HAD JUST SENT KLAWS' DEADLY LEOPARDMAN ROBOT PLUNGING FROM THE ROOF OF THE ARCH-CRIMINAL'S FANTASTIC LAIR. BUT THEN, TO BILLY'S HORROR AND AMAZEMENT...







NOW IT'S  
RUNNING ROUND  
AND ROUND IN CIRCLES  
... AS IF IT'S GONE  
BERSERK!



WHZZZZZZZ!

OF COURSE, THAT'S IT!  
THE ROBOT'S **OUT OF CONTROL!**



RRRAZZZZZZZZ!

THE FALL MUST  
HAVE DAMAGED ITS  
**BRAIN** SO BADLY, THE  
THING DOESN'T KNOW  
WHAT IT'S DOING!

... WITH A FINAL, TORTURED HOWL,  
BILLY'S DEADLY 'DOUBLE' WENT  
CHARGING OFF INTO THE NIGHT!



CAN'T  
JUST LEAVE  
IT TO ROAM THE  
COUNTRYSIDE! THAT  
THING IS DANGEROUS!  
IT'S GOT TO BE ROUNDED  
UP AS SOON AS I'VE  
DEALT WITH KLAWS!

BUT AS  
BILLY MADE  
HIS WAY  
DOWN FROM  
THE ROOF ...



PHEEW!  
THAT BATTLE  
WITH THE ROBOT  
HAS EVEN EXHAUSTED  
**ME!** LEGS FEEL  
LIKE... WATER!

A CONCEALED TELEVISION  
CAMERA 'SCANNED' HIS  
WEARY, STUMBLING  
PROGRESS.



CAN'T KEEP...  
GOING MUCH...  
LONGER! I...

UUU-UUUHHH!



\* **KTHOMAS** \*

HAAAAIEEEEE!

CONRAD KLAWS HAD  
BEEN WATCHING BILLY  
THROUGH THE 'EYE'  
OF THE CAMERA.



I STILL  
CAN'T CONTACT  
THE ROBOT... BUT  
IT OBVIOUSLY DID  
ITS WORK! THAT  
**SPOTTED PESTILENCE**  
HAS **COLLAPSED!**

CONTINUED  
OVERLEAF

MOMENTS LATER...

THERE HE IS— STILL UNCONSCIOUS! BUT I'D BETTER MAKE CERTAIN...

... WITH THE HELP OF THIS **LEOPARDMAN CROSS-BOW!** I DESIGNED IT TO FIRE SUCKER-DARTS AT CARDBOARD TARGETS OF FLEEING CROOKS!

... SO GOODBYE, **LEOPARDMAN!**

... BUT THESE ARE THE REAL THING— LIGHTWEIGHT CROSSBOW BOLTS, WITH GRAPHITE SHAFTS! THEY COULD BRING DOWN A BUFFALO...

AS KLAWS' TRIUMPHANT LAUGHTER RANG THROUGH THE 'FOLLY,' A SECOND MISSILE FOLLOWED THE FIRST...

... THUDDING CRUELLY INTO THE INERT, SPOTTED FIGURE!

HA! HA! HA!  
HAAAAAA!

**ARE YOU BUSTER'S CHAMPION READER? TELL US WHY YOU THINK YOU ARE, AND YOU MAY BE THE WINNER OF A GLITTERING SILVER CUP!**

WRITE TO:—

BUSTER'S CHAMPION READER  
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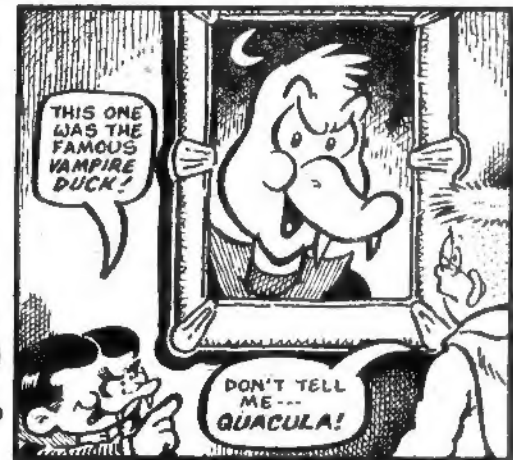
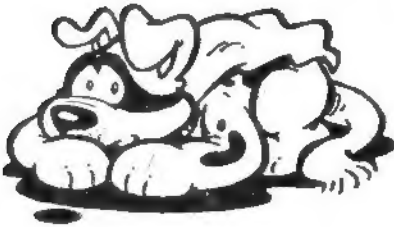
MASTER MIND HAS BEEN CAPTURED  
BY THE EVIL COUNT DRACULA~~

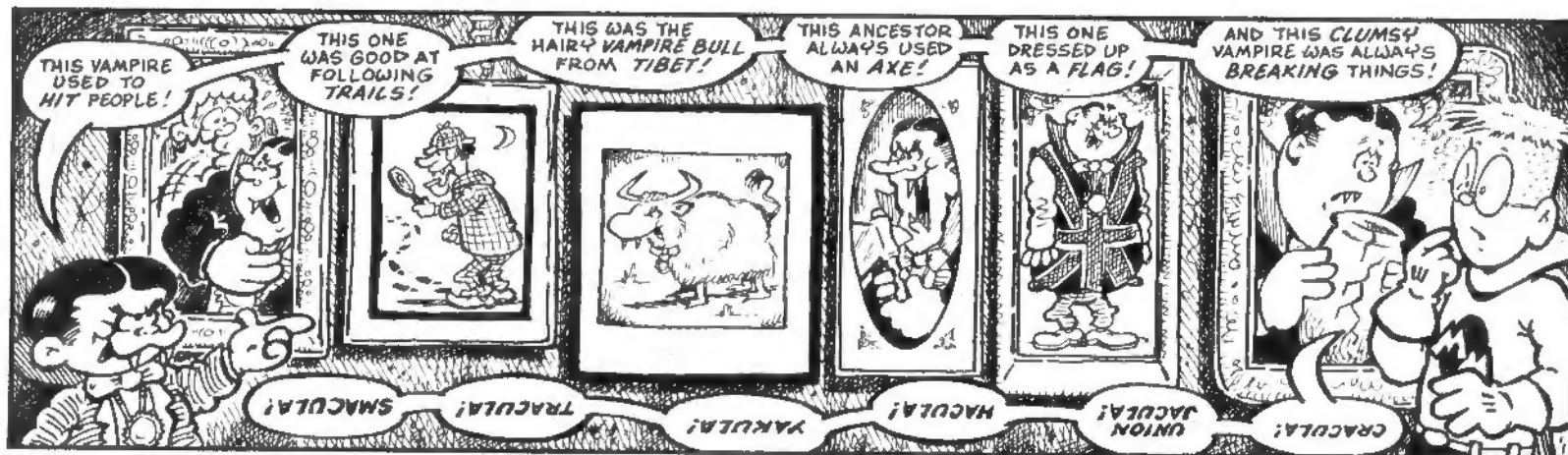


MEANWHILE, NOT FAR AHEAD~~



...HOW COME I HAVEN'T  
GOT A COMIC STRIP  
OF MY OWN?





# IT'S FRANKIE TIME AGAIN!

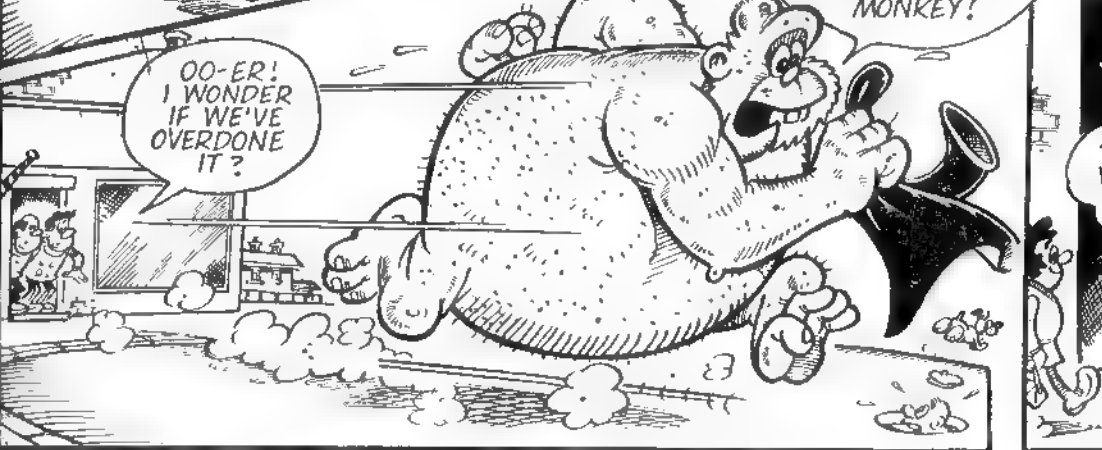
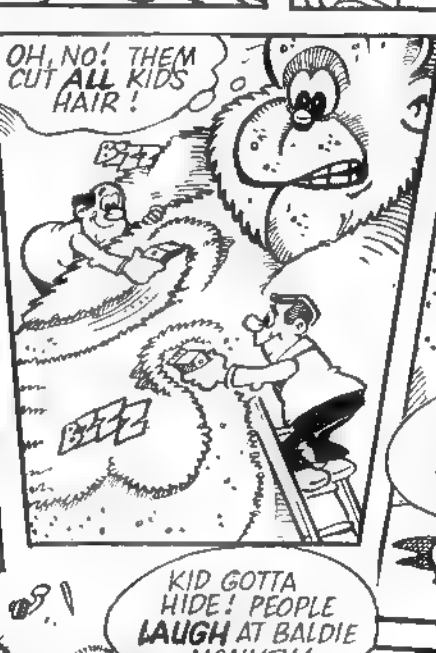
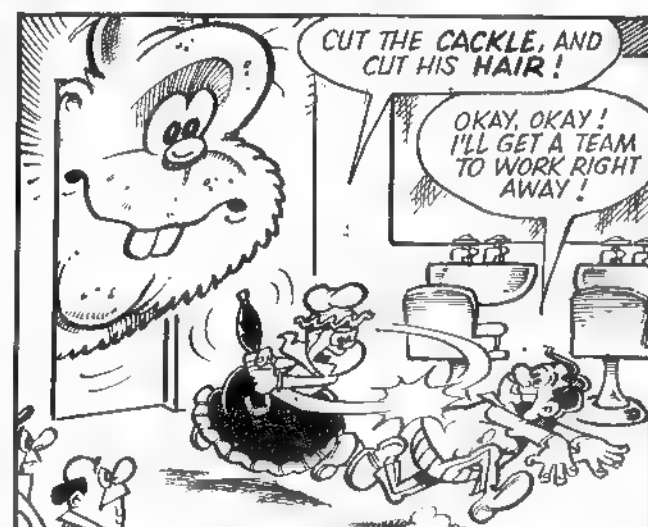
The freaky fun favourite is on the loose again with a 64-page monster helping of craziness, and stars in a special 3 part adventure called "Frankie Behind Bars". Frankie's Holiday Special is packed with way-out picture stories about Computer Cop, Gook the TV Spook, the Monster Movie Makers and others. Plus, there are jokes and a fantastic colour double page poster puzzle—see if you can escape from Cryptic Castle! It's fun all the way in...

## FRANKIE STEIN HOLIDAY SPECIAL





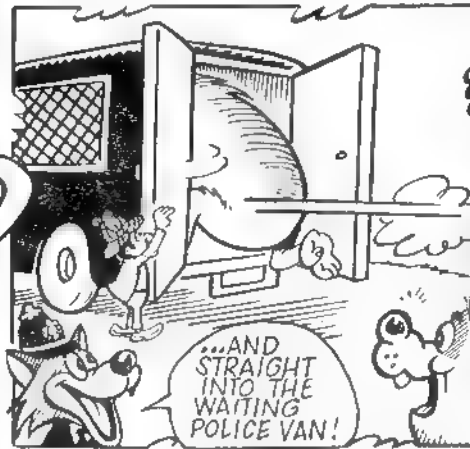
# KID KONG







# ALL HUMANS TALL and SMALL



# S.O.S. SQUAD

S.O.S. FROM A BIRD-LOVER, SQUAD...

A RARE **THRISTLE-TWOOP** BE NESTING NEAR MY COTTAGE IN THE WOODS. IF ITS NEST AIN'T GUARDED, VANDALS WILL STEAL THE EGGS!

CONSIDER IT GUARDED!

IF YOU CAN HEAR IT YOU MUST KNOW WHERE THE NEST IS!

THE **THRISTLE-TWOOP** BE A CUNNING BIRD, LAD—YOU CAN'T TELL WHICH WAY THE SOUND BE COMING FROM!

WE'LL GET BABY BOFFIN TO MAKE A SOUND-LOCATING PRAMOBILE!

WE'LL GO ON AHEAD, EFFEL!

I'LL MEET YOU AT THE COTTAGE WITH THE SOUND-LOCATOR WHEN IT'S READY!

SSH! I CAN HEAR IT!

TWIT  
TWOOP  
TWIT  
TWOOP

WE WON'T NEED THE SOUND LOCATOR—IT'S COMING FROM UP THERE!

COR! IT'S A BLOKE DOING BIRD IMPERSONATIONS—AND IT ISN'T **PERCY EDWARDS**!

IT'S AN EGG-SNATCHER TRYING TO LOCATE THE NEST!

MORE OF 'EM!

THE WOOD'S SWARMING WITH EGG-SNATCHERS!

OKAY, SQUAD—WE'VE GOTTA GET THOSE EGG-SNATCHERS DOWN!

YEAH!

UP AN' AT 'EM!  
UP AND AT 'EM!

READY FOR LAUNCHING, SKY-POLE?

THREE-TWO-ONE!

SHOVE OFF, EGG-SNATCHER!

SHOVE

OUCH!

UP AND ATCHA!  
UP AND ATCHA!

CHOMP

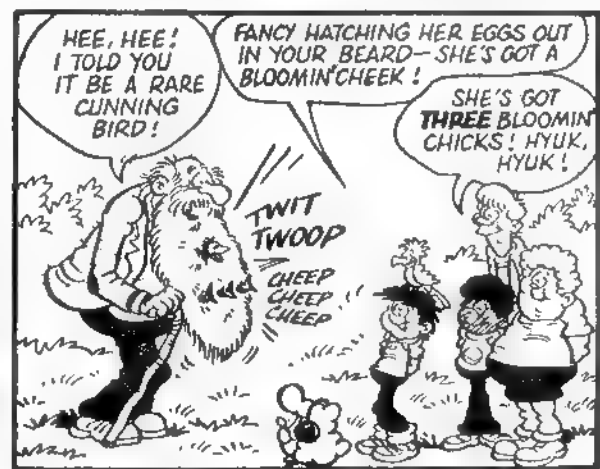
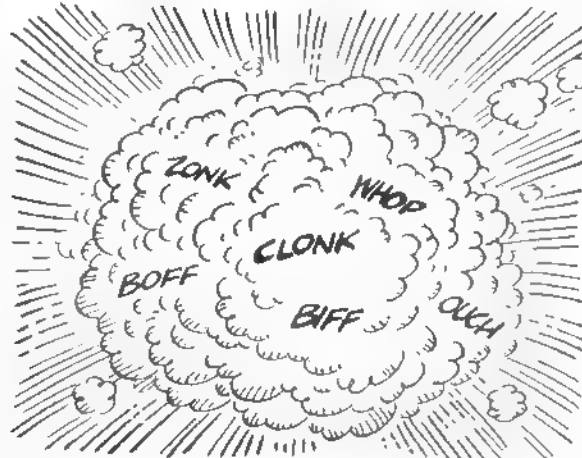
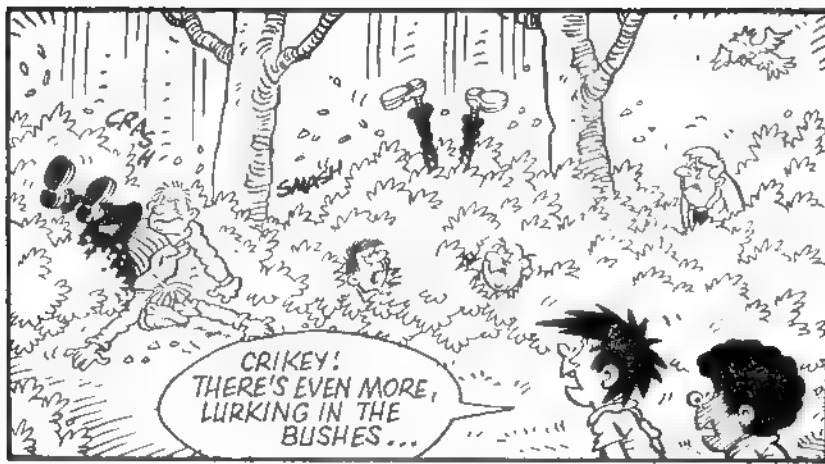
EJECTOR SEAT ACTIVATED, BIFF!

EEYAAH!

AND THAT'S EJECTED HIM!

TWANG





Now you see me

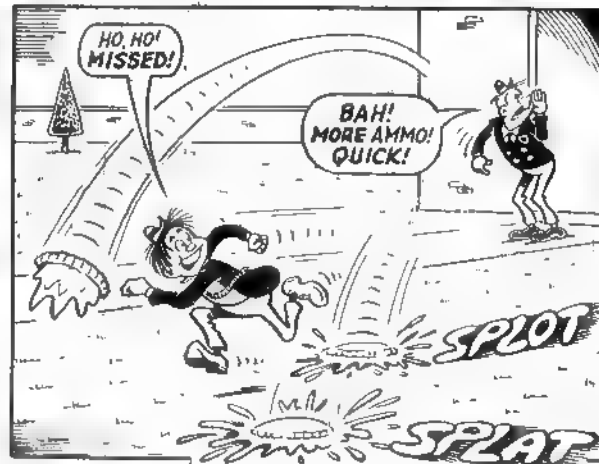
# Disappearing **TRIX**

BLINK Now you don't!





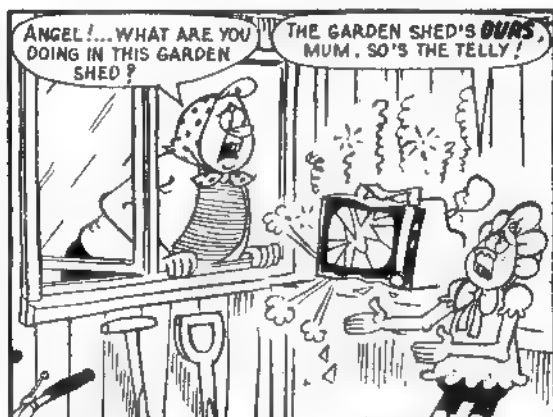
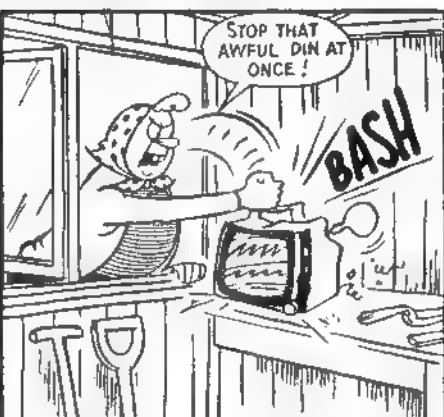
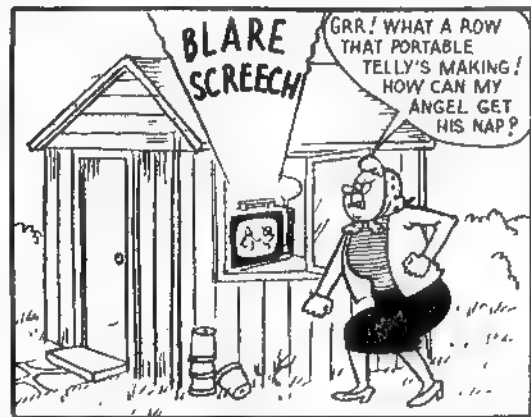
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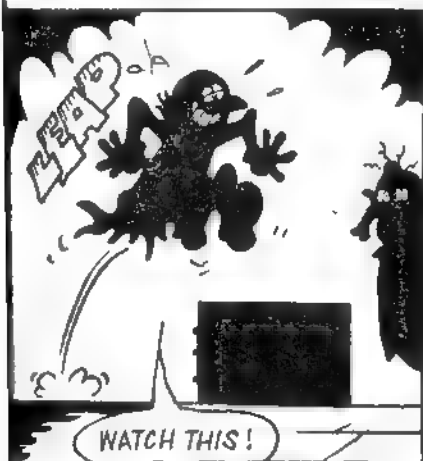
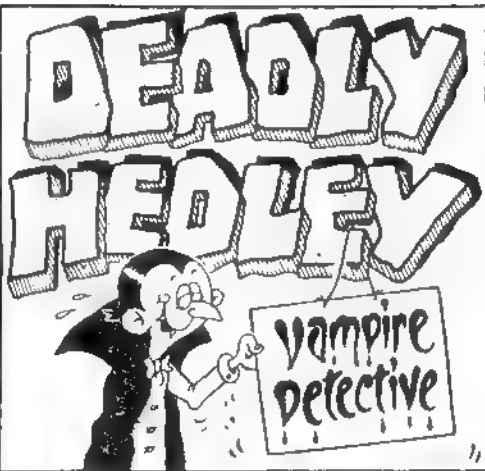


# MUMMY'S

# BOY







# BUSTER'S BONUS JOKE-BOX

**£1** FOR THE  
SENDER OF  
EACH JOKE  
PUBLISHED

**PLUS...**

...a  
**super  
BUSTER  
T-SHIRT**



MY THREE FAVOURITE STORIES  
IN BUSTER ARE:

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2  
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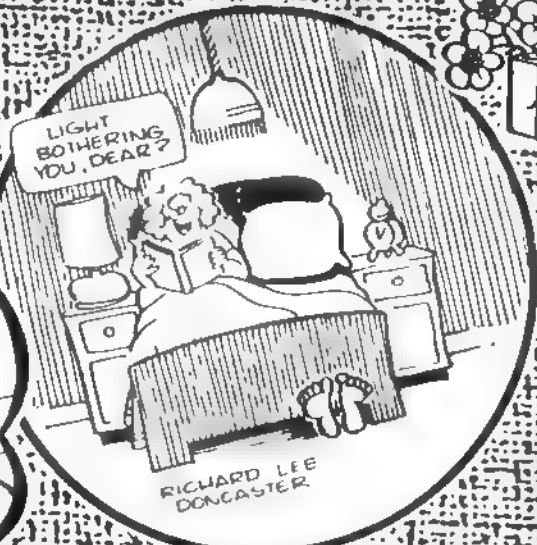
BUSTER T SHIRT TICK YOUR SIZE.

SMALL ☐ MEDIUM ☐

WRITE your joke clearly on a postcard with your full name and address, then fill in the coupon on the left, stating which size T shirt you would like, and paste it on the postcard. Post to: "BUSTER'S JOKE-BOX", Room 2010, King's Reach Tower, Stamford Street, London, SE1 9LS. Readers whose jokes are selected for publication will each receive £1 plus a BUSTER T shirt. When similar jokes are received, the first one to be judged will be awarded the prize. NOTE: This offer is open to readers in England, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and Channel Islands only.

PLEASE FILL IN THIS COUPON IN INK  
AND PASTE IT TO YOUR POSTCARD.





# WIN

## 101 STAMPS!

and 1000 of world of stamps on approval

**Which four countries are these?**

Just send us the right answers and you will receive 101 world wide stamps free - and a fine selection of stamps or approval buy what you like and return the rest. Remember to include your name, address (in BLOCK CAPITALS) and stamp for postage - and please tell your parents

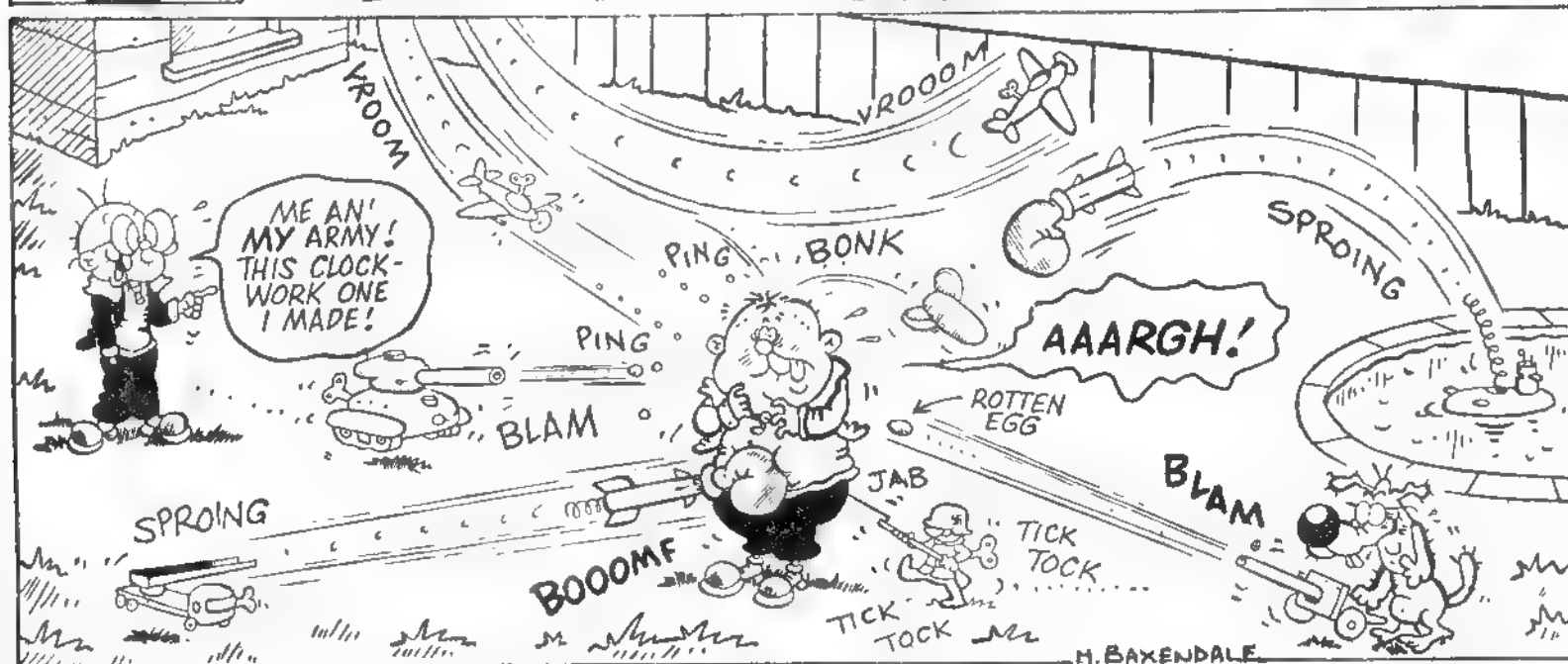
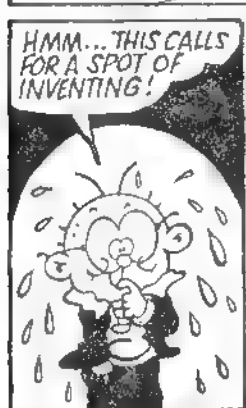
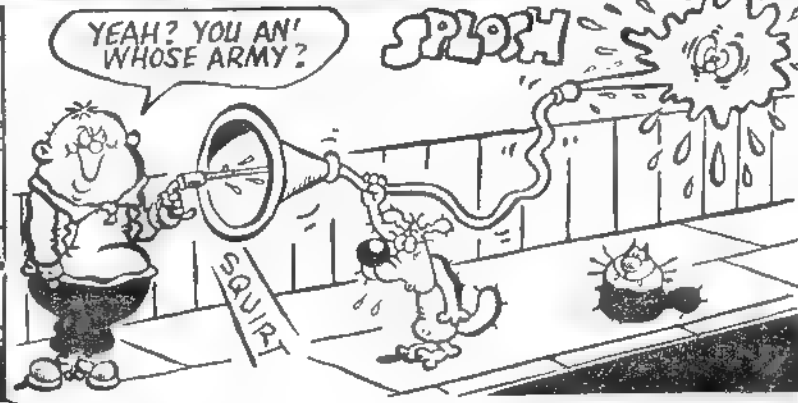
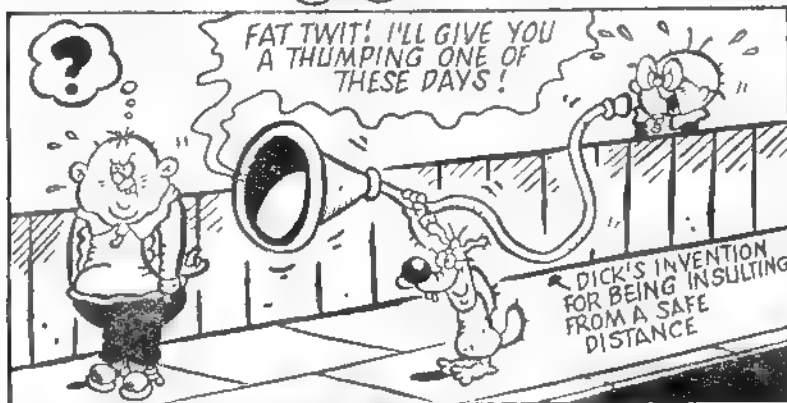
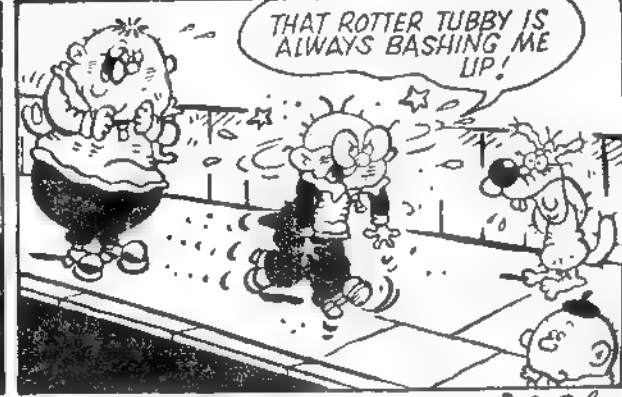
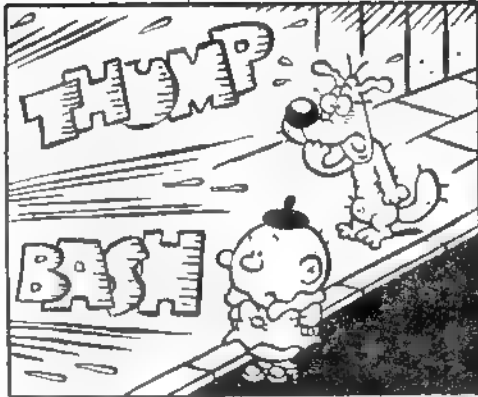
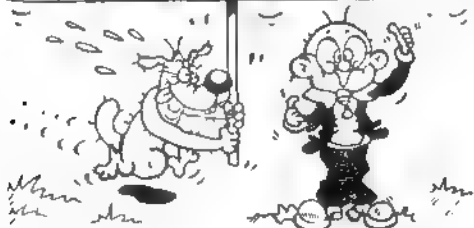
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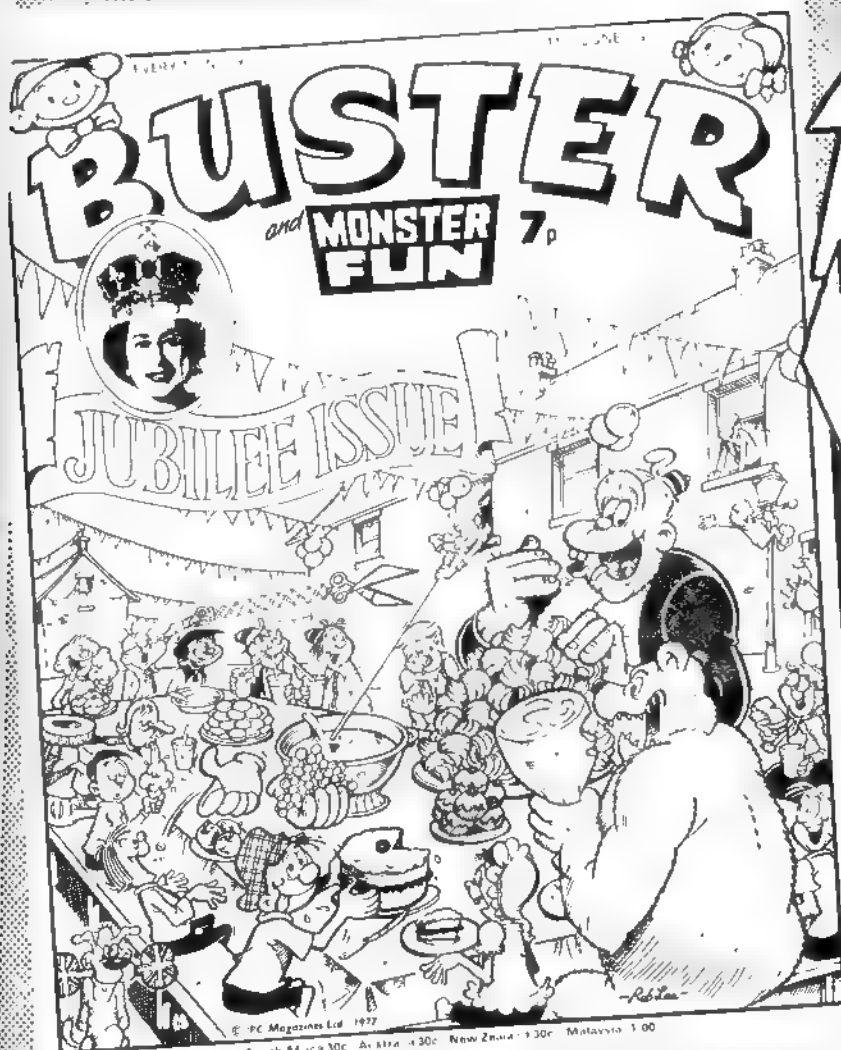
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# CLEVER DICK

THE DAFT INVENTOR





In the year  
**1977**



## ANOTHER VINTAGE BUSTER COVER

*Here are some of the things that happened  
four years ago . . .*

- On the sports scene, Manchester United beat Liverpool 2 - 1 in the F.A. Cup Final. Oxford won the Boat Race, and England beat Australia at cricket
- A South African girl swam the channel both ways in 19 hours and 55 minutes, a new record.
- In January, Britain had its heaviest snowfalls for 10 years.
- The big occasion of 1977 was the Queen's Silver Jubilee. Friends and neighbours around the country held street parties to celebrate! The Buster folk joined in, as you can see on the happy Jubilee Issue cover!



**WATCH OUT FOR ANOTHER OLDTIME BUSTER COVER NEXT WEEK!**

*It's so  
nice to  
have your  
BUSTER  
delivered!*



**FILL IN THIS COUPON  
AND HAND IT TO  
YOUR NEWSAGENT!**



TO THE NEWSAGENT:

PLEASE RESERVE A  
COPY OF BUSTER FOR  
ME EVERY WEEK.

Name .....

Address .....

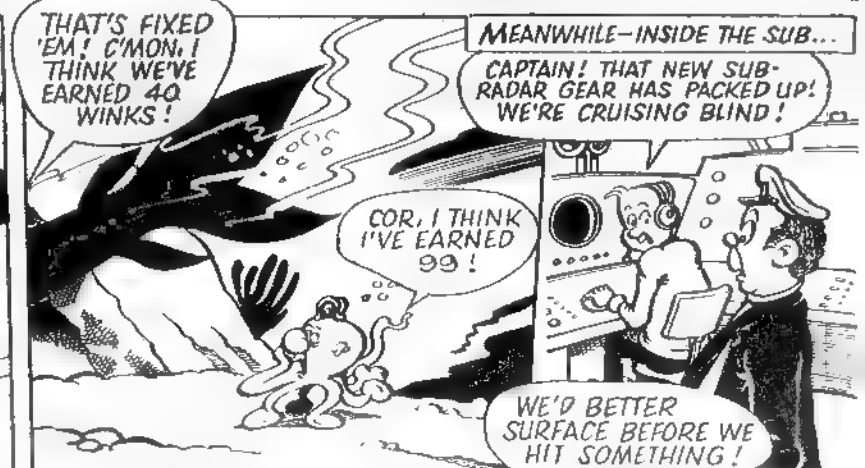
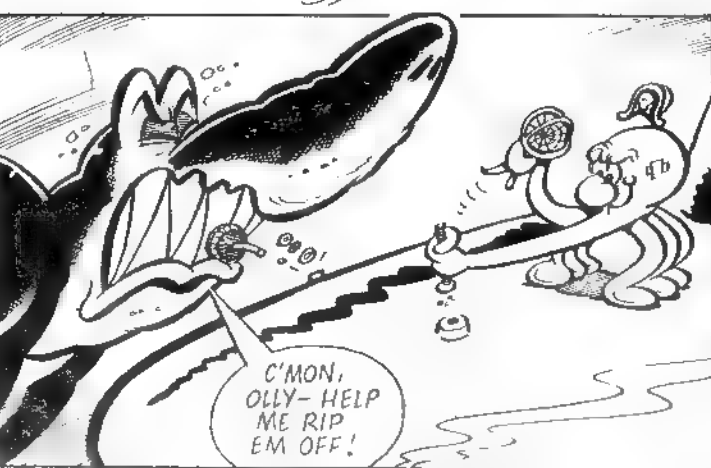
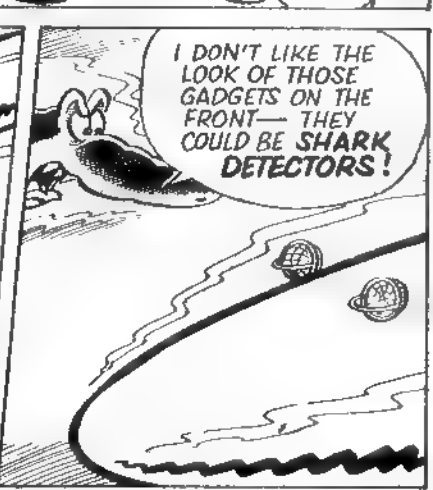
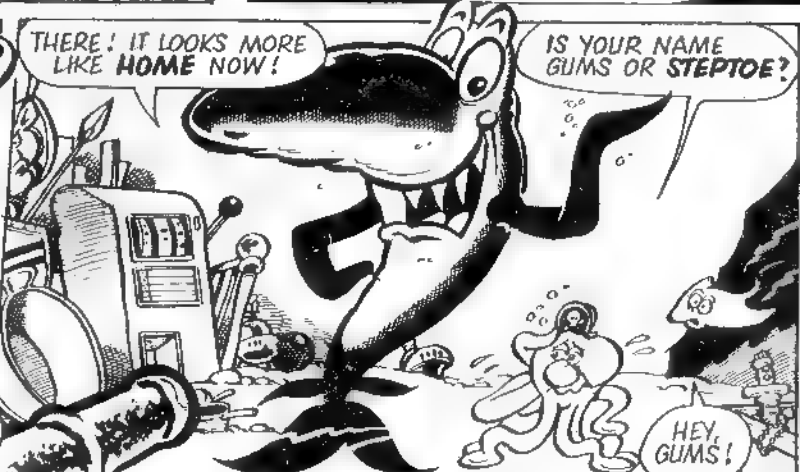
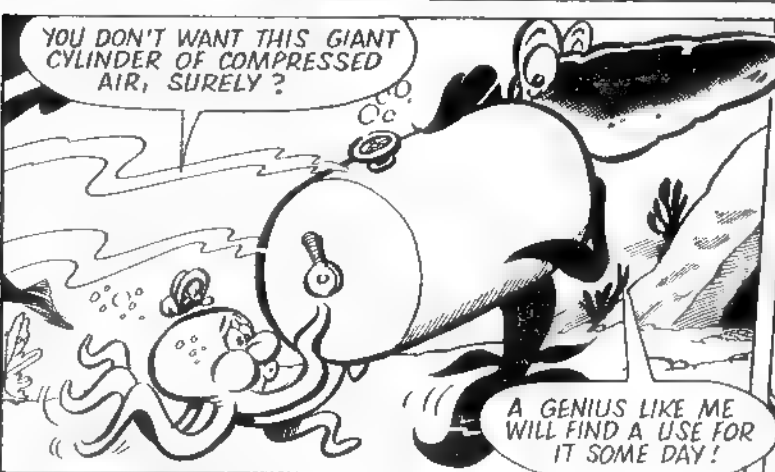
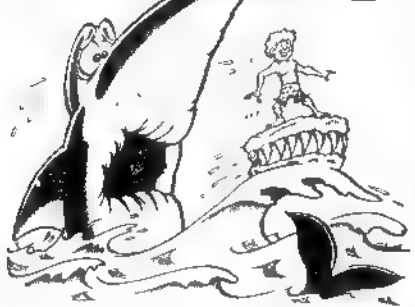
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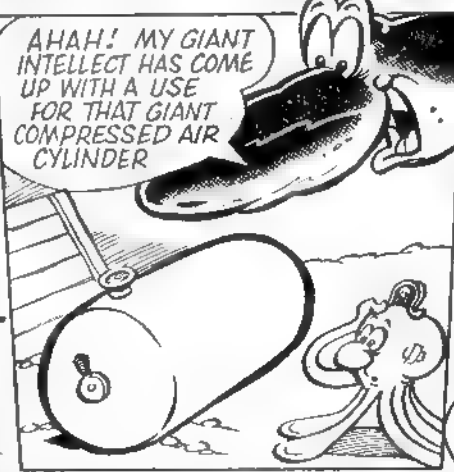
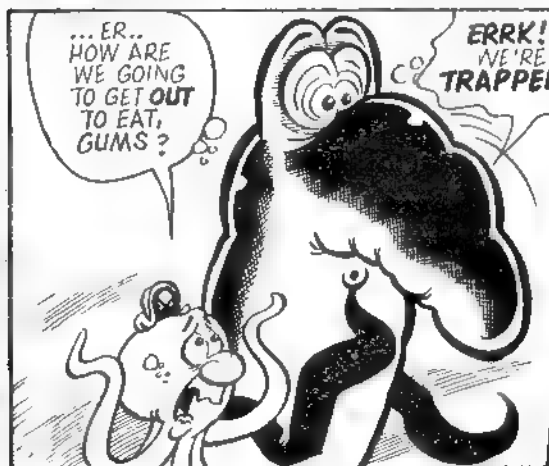
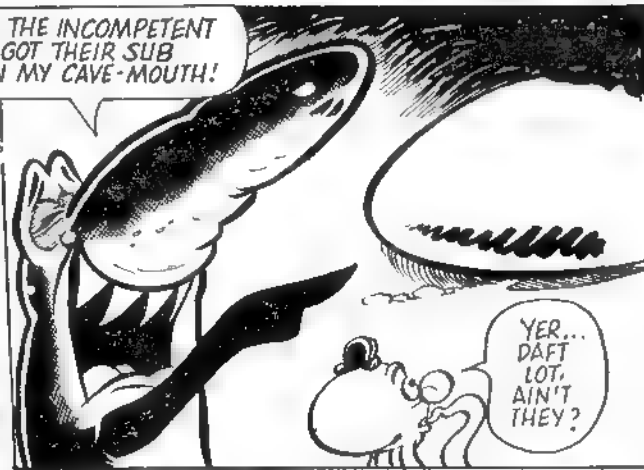
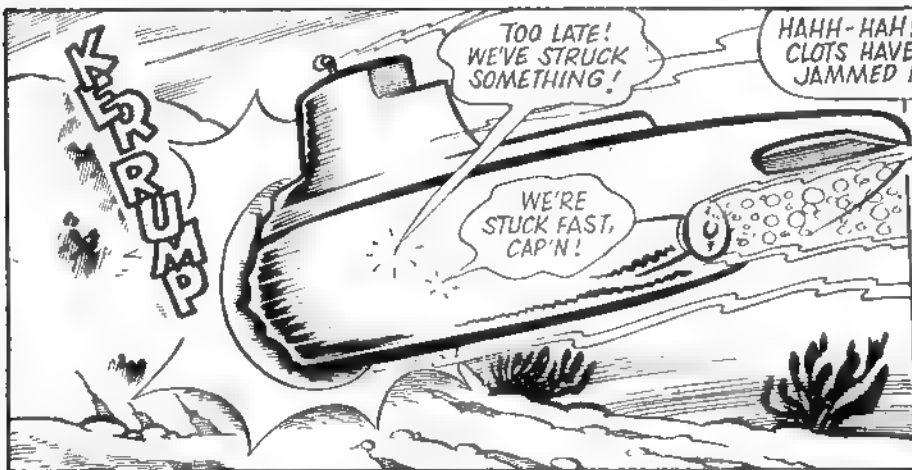
Signature of Parent or  
Guardian.

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# GUMS







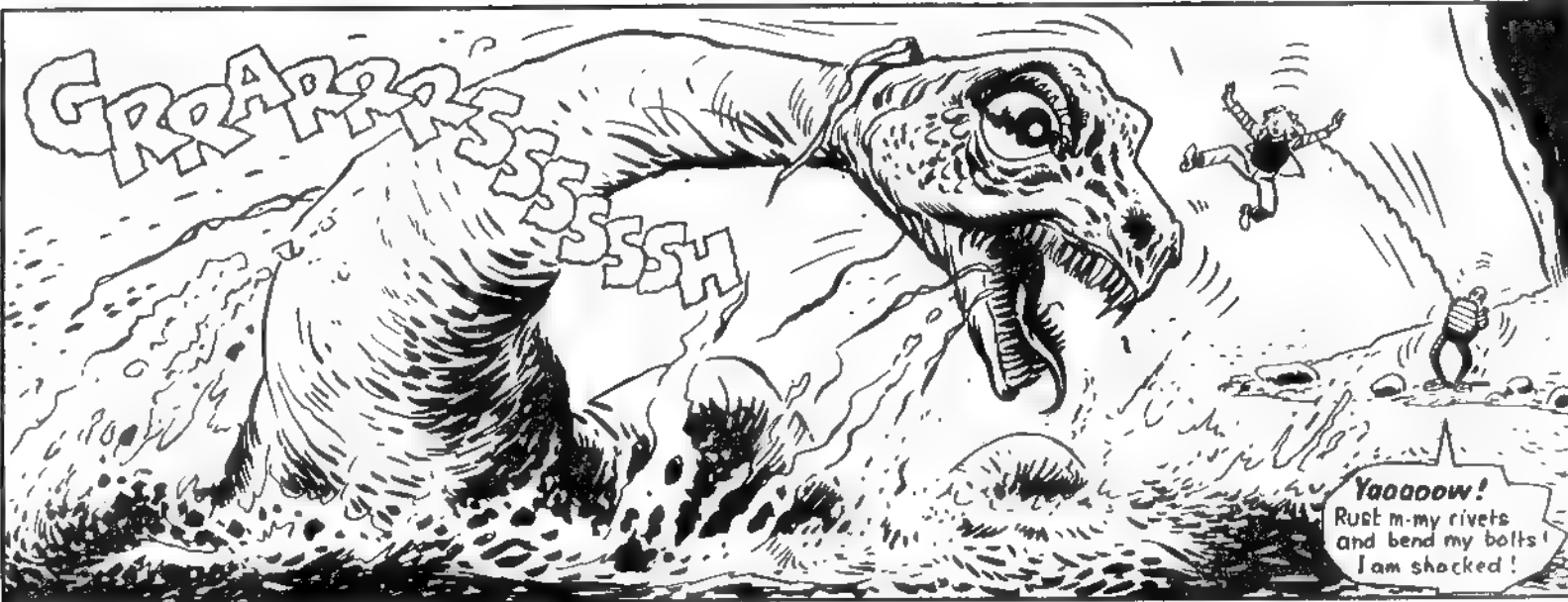
# BARRY and BOING

ORPHAN BARRY BATES WAS HELPING A SPRING-BUILT ROBOT CALLED BOING TO ESCAPE FROM HIS CRUEL ALIEN MASTERS. BUT WHILE SHELTERING ONE NIGHT ON THE SHORES OF LOCH NESS, THERE WAS A TERRIFIC COMMOTION, AND WHEN BARRY GOT BOING TO HELP HIM INVESTIGATE...

BOING, IT'S A CHANCE IN A THOUSAND, BUT I THINK WE'VE RUN INTO NESSIE--THE LOCH NESS MONSTER!

Eh? You are talking in riddles again, Master Barry!

NO, I'M NOT LOOK!



Yaaaaoww! Rust m-my rivets and bend my bolts! I am shocked!

CLANGING ALL OVER WITH FRIGHT, BOING'S EXTENDED FINGERS LOST THEIR GRIP, AND...

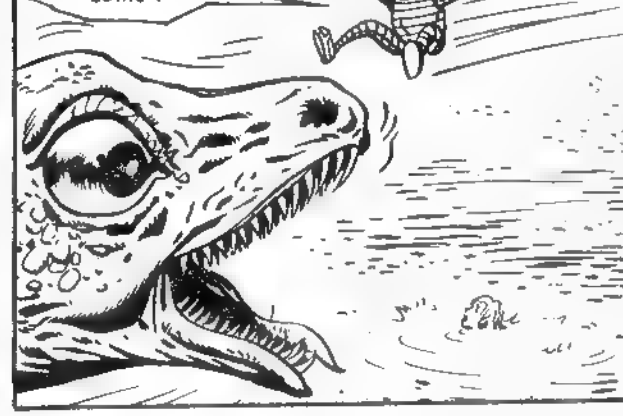


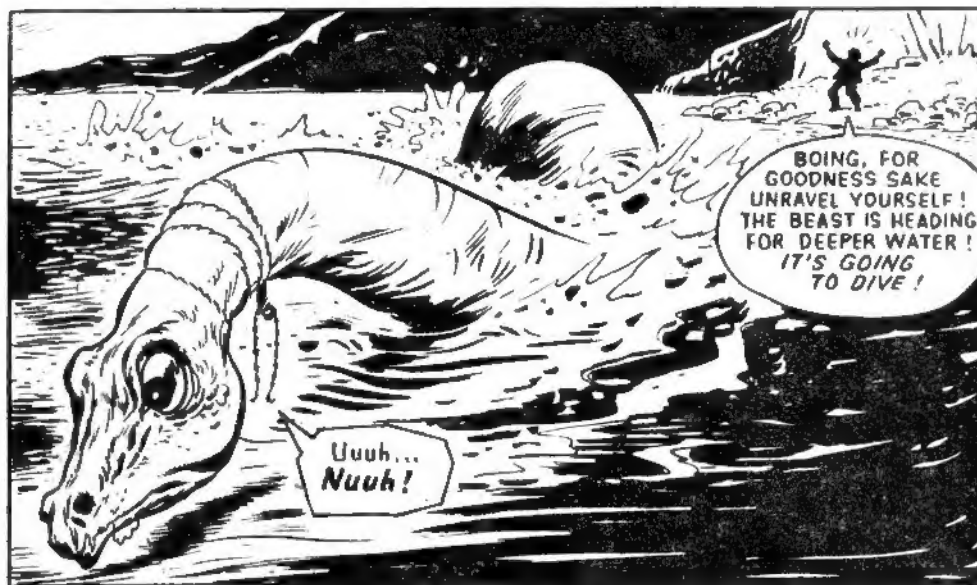
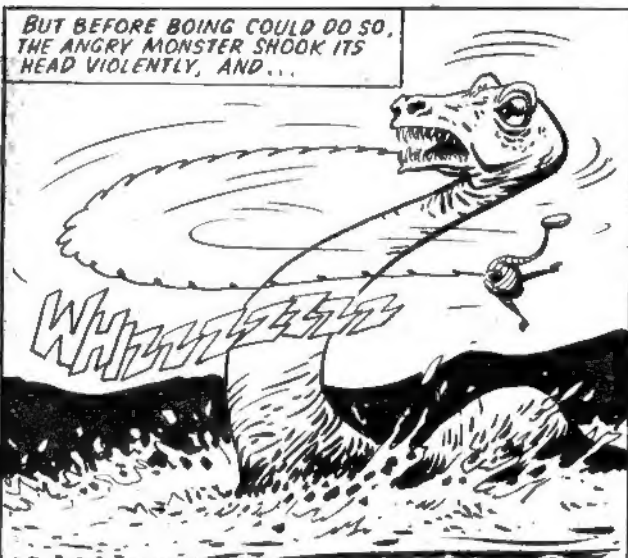
BOING! PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER! I'M GOING TO BE GOBBLED UP IN ONE GULP! HEELLPP!



BOING SPRANG UPWARDS AND OUTWARDS...

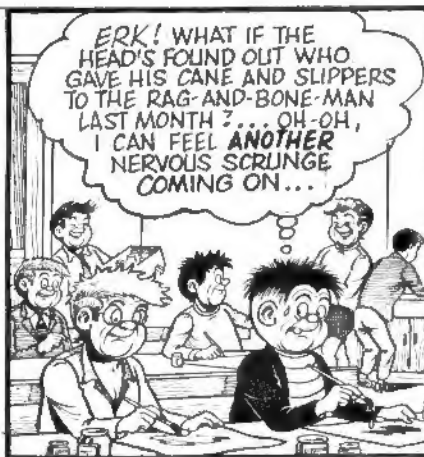
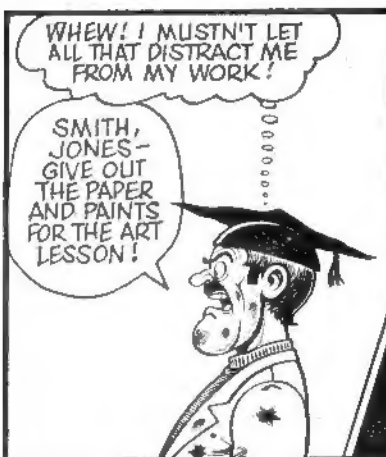
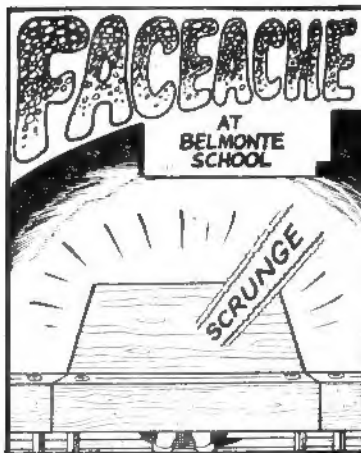
Be brave, Earthling Chum! Here I come!

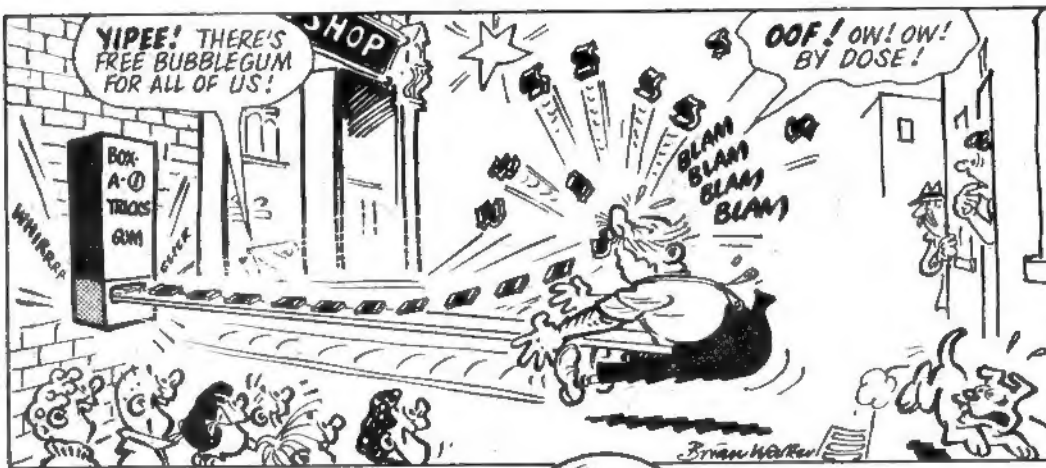
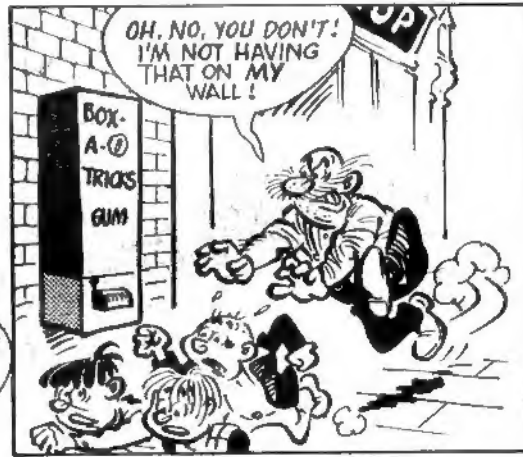
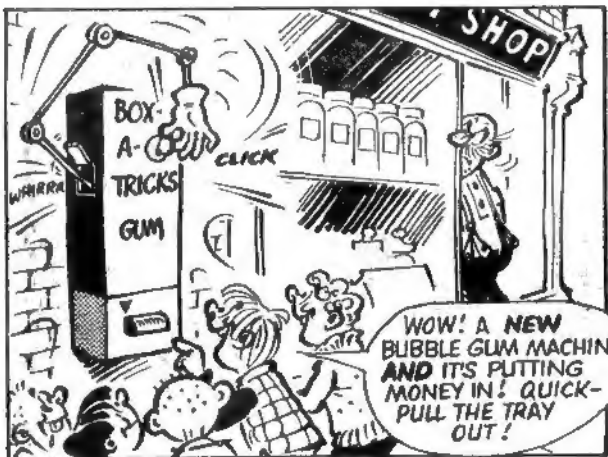




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